<u>Forest Land-Gadchiroli</u>
Diversion of 2.9007 ha. Reserved Forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Nagpur for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along the road in RoW of SH-276, SH-363 and MDR-12 from Parsalgondi to Alenga in Route in Etapalli Tehsil of District Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

Government of Maharashtra

Revenue and Forest Department

Government Order No.: FLD-3423/CR.96/F-10

Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032

Date:- 22.05.2023

<u>Reference:-</u>

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, MS, Nagpur Letter No. Desk-17/ Nodal / Gadchiroli / ID-406322/3518/2022-23, dt. 24.03.2023.

<u>Preamble:-</u>

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, MS, Nagpur has submitted a proposal for diversion of 2.9007 ha. Forest land for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along the road in RoW of SH-276, SH-363 and MDR-12 from Parsalgondi to Alenga in Route in Etapalli Tehsil of District Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

<u>Order:-</u>

In exercise of powers under general approval given by MoEF&CC, Govt. of India vide Handbook of FCA Guidelines-2019, Chapter 4 (para-4.2), Government of Maharashtra is pleased to grant **'In-Principle'** approval to the diversion of 2.9007 ha. Forest Land under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along the road in RoW of SH-276, SH-363 and MDR-12 from Parsalgondi to Alenga in Route in Etapalli Tehsil of District Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

The details of Forest Land proposed for diversion are as under:-

Division	Sr. No.	Name of Village	Details of Forest Land Required					Legal Status of Land
			Survey No.	Comp. No.	Length (m)	Width (m)	Area Ha.	
Bhamragarh	1	Etapalli	159,10	SE345	1550	0.5	0.0775	RF/PF
	2	Ekara (Bk)	110	SE345	100	0.5	0.0050	RF/PF
			110,123	SE375	2100	0.5	0.1050	RF/PF
			126	SE374	1500	0.5	0.0750	RF/PF

			163	SE376	600	0.5	0.0300	RF/PF
			1	SE373	350	0.5	0.0175	RF/PF
	3	Todsa	102	SE373	50	0.5	0.0025	RF/PF
				SE372	1300	0.5	0.0650	RF/PF
	4	Alenga	40	SE372	450	0.5	0.0225	RF/PF
			25	SE371	1450	0.5	0.0725	RF/PF
				SE370	600	0.5	0.0300	RF/PF
	5	Karampalli	21,22	SE268	1100	0.5	0.0550	RF/PF
				SE258	1200	0.5	0.0600	RF/PF
				SE234	200	0.5	0.0100	RF/PF
	6	Maveli	38	SE234	800	0.5	0.0400	RF/PF
				SE233	2500	0.5	0.1250	RF/PF
	7	Dewada (M)	3	SE235	1850	0.5	0.0925	RF/PF
				SE238	1800	0.5	0.0900	RF/PF
	8	Halewara	116	SE111	2650	0.5	0.1325	RF/PF
			69,12	SE094, SE093	1650	0.5	0.0825	RF/PF
			69,12	SE092, SE094	1200	0.5	0.0600	RF/PF
	9	Petha (S)	9	SE092	250	0.5	0.0125	RF/PF
				SE090	1050	0.5	0.0525	RF/PF
				NE085	1800	0.5	0.0900	RF/PF
	10	Punnur (S)	183	NE085	500	0.5	0.0250	RF/PF
			145, 183	NE084	2000	0.5	0.1000	RF/PF
			183	NE086	300	0.5	0.0150	RF/PF
			184	NE081	200	0.5	0.0100	RF/PF
	11	Wenasar	24	NE081	2800	0.5	0.1400	RF/PF
	12	Chokhewada	54	NE081	300	0.5	0.0150	RF/PF
				NE065	2249.62	0.5	0.1125	RF/PF
				NE062	250	0.5	0.0125	RF/PF
	13	Magdandi	12	NE062	2100	0.5	0.1050	RF/PF
	14	Karka (Kh)	-	NE062	700	0.5	0.0350	RF/PF
	15	Jaweli (Bk) S	98	NE061	1240.38	0.5	0.0620	RF/PF
	16	Ropi	32,28	NE049	3600	0.5	0.1800	RF/PF
	17	Kasurwahi	67	NE046	2550	0.5	0.1275	RF/PF
	18	Alenga (M)	28,20,21	NE046	831	0.5	0.0416	RF/PF
				Total	**47721**	**(A)**	**2.3861**	
Allapalli	1	Aldandi S.	41	1147	618.8	0.6	0.0371	RF
	2	Aldandi S.	0	1145	1606.8	0.6	0.0964	RF
	3	Aldandi M.	1	1577	1787.2	0.6	0.1072	RF
	4	Tumargunda Bz	54, 120/1, 59, 11, 5	1134	1612.1	0.6	0.0967	PF
	5	Tumargunda Bz	14/1/14, 104	1173	351.6	0.6	0.021	PF
	6	Tumargunda Kh	27/1/2	656	1325.8	0.6	0.0795	RF
	7	Tumargunda Kh	27/1/2	1139	555	0.6	0.0333	RF
	8	Pandewahi S	121	1200	370.9	0.6	0.0222	RF
	9	Pandewahi S	118/1	1208	354.2	0.6	0.0212	RF
				Total	**8582.4**	**(B)**	**0.5146**	
					Total Forest Land (A+B)		**2.9007**	

2. **<u>This 'In-principle' approval is issued subject to the following conditions:-</u>**

1) The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged.

2) User Agency shall submit the Record of Rights of proposed land at village- Ekara (Bk) (Survey No. 1), village- Alenga (Survey No. 25 & 40), village- Punnur (S) (Survey No. 184), village- Jaweli (Bk) S (Survey No. 98), village- Alenga (M), (Survey No. 20 & 21), village- Aldandi S., (Survey No. 1), along with Stage-I compliance.
3) The concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests shall ensure legal status of proposed Forest land at- Etapalli, (Survey No. 159) & at-Petha (S) (Survey No. 9), before granting working permission.
4) User Agency shall defray the cost of plantation (including ten years maintenance) of 100 trees shall be levied from the User Agency towards Compensatory Afforestation. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species along with 10% RET species of Gadchiroli District shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided. Details of land proposed for Plantation (Record of Rights & KML File), shall be submitted before Stage-II/Final approval.
5) The Optical Fiber Cable Line will be laid within maximum size of the trench of 2.00 meters depth & 0.5 and 0.6 meter width as mentioned in above table.
6) If bank guarantee is not submitted with concern Road Authority (NHAI/ MSRDC/PWD/ZP), the agency shall submit a bank guarantee at the rate of Rs.50/- per running meter and an undertaking to that effect shall also be submitted. If the agency fails to reclaim the land to the satisfaction of concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests, the cost for reclamation will be covered from the bank guarantee.
7) If the cable is going to be laid in the formation width of the road, then additional charges in form of bank guarantee shall be given at the rate of Rs.35/- per running meter. Similarly for reclamation of side drain and for tarred portion, the guarantee will be at the rate of Rs.300/- per meter and Rs.750/- per meter respectively. An undertaking shall be obtained from the User Agency that it has agreed to make good any loss to Forest/ Environment while laying the cable in the forest area and during maintenance of the same in future.
8) For further maintenance of the project, the agency shall obtain permission from the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests as and when required.
9) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than specified in the proposal.
10) No felling of trees shall be done during the implementation of project.
11) No new forest area beyond the Right of Way of existing road should be broken for laying Optical Fiber Cable.
12) The User Agency shall pay the cost of additional Net Present Value, if required in future.
13) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.

14) Underground Optical Fiber Cable can be laid only outside the confines of the Protected Areas.
15) The User Agency after implementation of the project shall provide internet broadband connection of 100 Mbps speed to the Allapalli Forest Division office.
16) The Proposed work shall be carried out only during day time.
17) After completion of the project, User Agency will reclaim the area under RoW suitably.
18) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the State Government.
19) This sanction is subject to the final clearance by the Department of Information & Technology for the project and concerned PWD authorities for the project.
20) The User Agency shall compensate the private owners of forest land if any, in accordance with the prevalent laws, rules & guidelines.
21) The User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
22) All other conditions as may be mandatory under relevant Acts, Rules and Guidelines shall be complied by the User Agency.
23) All the conditions stipulated by the Forest Department shall be binding on User Agency.
24) The User Agency shall make good of any loss to Forest / Environment.
25) All necessary approvals required for the project as per the prevailing laws of the land would be obtained by User Agency.
26) Any breach of the conditions by the User Agency will be treated as violation of the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

3. This Government Order is available at the Government of Maharashtra's website www.maharashtra.gov.in with reference No. 202305221144325919. This Order has been signed digitally.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

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3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Maharashtra State, Nagpur.
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6. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), M.S., Nagpur
7. Collector, Gadchiroli.
8. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Gadchiroli.
9. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli.
10. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bhamragarh & Allapalli
11. M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Nagpur.
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